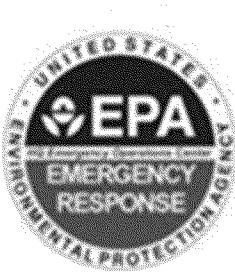


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EOC Daily Emergency Management Report

Date: 09/14/2015

Time: 10:00 EDT

Report Number: 177-15

Alerts & Warnings

FEMA National Watch Center – Watch/Steady State (24/7)

National Terrorism Advisory System (NTAS) – No Current Alerts

Continuity of Operations (COOP) COGCON Level 4

EPA HQ EOC is at Level 1 (Activated to Support Gold King Mine Release, Region 8)

EPA Regions 6, 8, and 9 REOCs are at Level 1 (Gold King Mine Release, Region 8)

EPA Headquarters Activities

ASPECT (Airborne Spectral Photometric Environmental Collection Technology) System

Current Status: ASPECT is fully operational and is located in Richmond, VA.

The **Portable High Throughput Integrated Laboratory Identification Systems** (PHILIS) located in Edison, NJ and Castle Rock, CO are operational. Preparing PHILIS mobile assets in both NJ and CO for deployment to Region 3 for Papal visit, the week of 09/21/15.

Available for Deployment: ERT TAGAs (Edison & RTP) & Mobile Command Posts & HazMat Truck (Erlanger & Las Vegas); and ERT-Edison Mobile Lab 2 (Mobile Analytical Lab).

Temporarily Out of Commission: ERT-Las Vegas TAGA, for air-conditioning & brake repair; ERT-Edison Mobile Lab 1 (TO-15) for maintenance.

Significant National Weather

Severe Weather: No severe weather is expected throughout the U.S. today.

Tornado Weather: There is less than a 2-percent chance of tornado activity across the U.S. today.

Critical Fire Weather: There is no critical fire weather forecast for today throughout the U.S.

Significant River Flooding: There is no significant river flooding expected in the U.S. for the next five days.

Earthquake Activity: The United States Geological Survey (USGS) reported that a magnitude 6.6 earthquake occurred on September 13, at 4:14 a.m. EDT, approximately 37 miles south-southwest of Topolobampo, Mexico at a depth of 6.2 miles. This area is located in the southern portion of the Gulf of California. The USGS indicates a low likelihood for damage or injury. No tsunami was generated.

Tropical Weather: No tropical activity is occurring that poses a threat to any US territory. There are no coastal watches or warnings in effect at this time.

Report of Incident Notifications

Region 4, Andrews Mercury Spill, Andrews, Cherokee County, NC - On the afternoon of September 13, a property owner discovered evidence of trespassing and vandalism in the shed on their property and contacted local authorities to document incident. A backpack with what has been reported as "elemental mercury" spillage around it on the shed floor and a broken 16-ounce glass bottle inside the backpack. The property owner contacted the North Carolina Department of Environment and Natural Resources (NCDENR). NCDENR requested assistance from EPA to provide technical support in an assessment of the situation. One EPA OSC was deployed along with START to conduct an assessment of the situation. Mitigation options will be evaluated pending the outcome of the assessment.

There were 44 epaosc.org websites created and/or updated during this reporting period **09/11/15-09/14/15**.

Exercises/Predeployments

Nothing significant to report.

Regional Daily Ops Status Report

Reported activities primarily represent NRC notifications with some State-level and other notifications to Regional Phone Duty Officers.

Reported Activities (09/11/2015 – 09/14/2015)

Region	Oil	Hazmat	Radiation	Other	Total
Region 1	0	0	0	0	0
Region 2	3	1	0	1	5
Region 3	6	2	0	1	9
Region 4	9	1	0	5	15
Region 5	9	3	0	7	19

Region 6	6	7	0	1	14
Region 7	3	2	0	2	7
Region 8	4	2	0	0	6
Region 9	2	3	0	1	6
Region 10	5	0	0	0	5
Total	47	21	0	18	86

Note: There were 7 unclassified events in the Hotline Log.

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